

Solihull Academy Person Specification – Vocational Learning Support Assistant (Level 3 / Band C)

	Essential	Desirable	Methods of Assessment
Qualifications	Good levels of competency in literacy & numeracy A minimum of 5 GCSE's (or equivalent) to include English & Maths at Grade C Level 3 Teaching Assistant Qualifications or Supporting Teaching & Learning in School Certificate (Level 3) or equivalent experience	 Evidence of Further Education such as A Levels Graduate qualification to enable support to be given to a subject within the school Post 16 vocational qualifications 	ApplicationQualifications
Experience	 Experience of supporting individual/groups of children Experience of using interpersonal skills to work through difficult situation 	 Experience of working in a learning environment such as a learning centre or school/college Experience of ICT packages i.e. Word, PowerPoint, SIMS 	ApplicationReferencesInterview
Knowledge	 Knowledge of Behaviour strategies and strategies to support children in the classroom Knowledge of KS3 and/or KS4 curriculums 	An understanding of the challenges faced by children with recognised difficulties such as Autism, Asperger's, ADHD, Dyslexia etc.	ApplicationReferencesInterview
Skills	 Accurate and fluent written communication skills Ability to orally communicate effectively with a range of audiences Ability to engage and motivate pupils Effective time management skills which allow students to complete set activities at an appropriate pace Ability to deploy behaviour management strategies effectively 	Awareness of the code of Practice	ApplicationReferencesInterview
Other	 Commitment to inclusion To undergo an enhanced DBS check Full Driving Licence 	Willingness to take a minibus test and drive a minibus	Interview